DCM Jonathan D called the meeting to order at 9:30am, and we opened with the *Declaration of Unity*. Seventeen persons were present, representing eleven Groups (nine voting GSRs). New Business added to the agenda; volunteers read the Checklists for Tradition Ten and Concept Ten.

Secretary report: No report. NOTE: District 6 needs a Recording Secretary.

<u>Treasurer's report</u>: Steve Q provided a Treasurer's report; report accepted. Steve will chair a committee for District 6 2016 budget; Jim duB and Susan OK volunteered to serve; anyone else interested in serving, please contact Steve at Steps To Freedom, or call the Hotline at (808) 245-6677 for his info.

<u>Alternate DCM/Intergroup</u>: Vacant – no report. Sammy H and Ann W stood for the Alt DCM position, Sammy deferred to Ann, and Sammy volunteered to serve with Steve Q on the Budget Committee.

DCM report: DCM Jonathan D reported

- 1- back from Budget Assembly; said north shore O'ahu went out of their way to make the Assembly enjoyable for the attendees.
- 2- Kaua'i Happy Hour Group brought a motion to add "Service" (importance and opportunities) to AAWS' <u>Living</u> <u>Sober</u> booklet; motion approved, Area 17 Delegate will take this motion to the 2016 General Service Conference.
- 3- District 6 is looking for committees to plan and serve the upcoming Inventory Assembly which Kaua'i District 6 is hosting January 30-31, 2016. Sean P volunteered to coordinate Transportation; Crystal B volunteered to coordinate Food Happy Hour Group will provide the Sunday breakfast. Steve Q and Donna Jo coordinating Registration; Homestay coordinator still needed; also, Kaua AAers who can accommodate one- or two-night stays for visiting GSRs, please contact District 6 DCM Jonathan D at DCM6@Area17AA.org or at Young People's BYOBB meeting Sundays, or call Hotline at (808) 245-6677 for his contact info.
- 4- Discussed "Bridging the Gap" pamphlet P-49, connecting with folks coming out of hospitals or treatment facilities. Crystal also shared pamphlets F-138 and F-139 from AAWS for connecting the "A.A. Temporary Contact / Bridging the Gap Volunteer" with AAers inside and outside correctional facilities.

GSR reports:

- <u>Third Tradition</u> Frank reported that they're encouraging more participation at business meetings; so far, it's been Frank and the meeting secretary; Group funded sending him to the Budget Assembly.
- <u>Happy Hour</u> Crystal reported their business meetings have been well-attended; all AA is invited to participate tomorrow at their monthly third Sunday potluck/speaker meeting, cookout & games start at 2pm; meeting at 5pm. Meetings are well-attended, would encourage more "ladies" to attend who'd be willing to sponsor.
- <u>Young People's BYOBB</u> Lance reported for "super happy" Group which enjoys carrying the message; they don't shoot their wounded, their meeting secretary has a cool Daddy way of dealing with folks who interrupt or drop the F-bomb. Business meeting tomorrow; HICYPAA2015 great success.
- Hui Lokahi Men's Staq Christian reported Thursday 7pm Group continues to do well and is well-attended.
- <u>Koloa Aloha</u> Ann W reported for Group meeting twice a week; usually 20-30 attendees; providing scholarship to men's retreat next weekend; two Group members now taking women's meetings to KCCC.
- <u>Steps To Freedom</u> Steve reported they're still keeping the doors open; meetings Mondays at 7:30pm, last Monday birthday potluck starts at 6:30pm; service positions filled.
- **Poʻipū Sunrise Sobriety** Sean P reported regular GSR is off island; meeting has good attendance; Sean is pumped to be involved with upcoming Assembly in January.
- <u>Princeville Hanalei</u> Janice M reported for Group; they're considering changing the Group Conscience date and time, as now they have 30-35 minutes between meetings to cover business; ran out of time for Inventory Questions. P-H Group hosts Potluck on the last Sunday each month, starts at 5pm. Last night (Friday) conducted a Traditions meeting, went very well; morale good; appreciates announcements re events in other areas of the island.
- <u>Hui 'Ohana</u> Rick S reported as Alt GSR; seven attendees at business meetings, good communications with newcomers and other Groups.

Standing Committee Reports:

- Archives: no report.
- <u>Corrections</u>: Keola reported Women's Meeting now being held at KCCC on Wednesdays at noon; Big Book Study; 18 inmate women attended this last week. Books are in demand, will purchase out of Corrections budget; Volincor training is going on today (Saturday the 17th). Next training should be offered again next April.
- CPC: no report; Committee Chair needed.
- <u>Grapevine/Mynah Bird</u>: 1- Jim duB provided copies of this month's Area 17 Mynah Bird Newsletter; page 2 has shares from two Kaua'i Groups; coincidentally, this month's AA Grapevine also features a short story from a visitor who had attended those two Groups' meetings!
 - 2- Area 17 GV Chair Pattilyne nominated Janice M to be District 6 GV Chair approved; also asked if District would provide \$54 from GV budget for two subscriptions to KCCC; approved.
- <u>Public Information</u>: PI Chair Lance L requested help on disseminating pamphlets to literature racks around the island. Jim duB pointed out on pg 19 of <u>The AA Group pamphlet</u> that each AA Group is encouraged to have a PI Rep to help serve the PI needs of AA. Mathea shared as a former PI Chair that there are nine libraries, which should be checked once a month; three hospitals, which are heavily used and should be checked weekly; and two doctor offices currently providing space for AA literature and schedules. Frank volunteered to cover Wilcox Hospital; ____ will cover Mahelona; ___ will cover KVMH. Contact Lance at <u>publicinfo@kauaiaa.org</u> or Young People's BYOBB or via Hotline at (808) 245-6677.
- <u>CEC Cooperation with the Elder Community:</u> Mathea shared their Area committee worked hard; a suggestion was to provide AA reading materials at waiting rooms where older people check in for chronic disease problems cardiac and diabetes; spent \$61 from CEC budget for 30 <u>AA Grapevine</u> magazines for 3rd floor waiting areas at Kaua'i Medical Center, and at Kuhio Medical Center. Also mentioned seniors meeting at neighborhood centers.
- <u>Treatment Settings/Special Needs</u>: no report.
- <u>Website</u>: Susan Ok provided GoDaddy printout of products which shows next billing, and detailed recap of invoices. Jim duB requested a summary report for District, and discussion re request for reimbursement tabled for next month until after budget committee meets.

Olde Business:

- **District 6 Inventory**: GSRs reported back with their Groups' feedback on questions, taken in this order:
 - <u>Q2</u>. What additional activities can we engage in, to carry the message? Ann W tallied their Group's and composite answers from GSRs present: distributing pamphlets around the island; float in the Christmas parade; fulfill positions in *AA Group* pamphlet and District 6's Structure and Guidelines.
 - Q10. Do all G.S.R.'s have adequate opportunity to serve on committees? Yes.
 - <u>Q1</u>. What is the basic purpose of the District Committee? Sean tallied answers: promote unity in AA fellowship; vehicle for communication among Groups and connection with AA as a whole; education re Traditions and Concepts; elect DCM and representatives; provide hands-on experience.
 - <u>O5</u>. Do we try to illustrate a good cross section of A.A. in our message carrying? Great discussion old/young, locals/haoles, straight/lgbt, single/not. District is making the effort, striving for progress.
 - Q3. Considering the number of alcoholics in our district, are we reaching enough people? Christian and Jim duB fielded input on this: No/Yes debatable. Again, great discussion examples were AA meetings taken into KCCC; radio PSAs recorded by woman, pidgin local, man; Crystal shared that the Nāwiliwili locals direct visitors to their meeting at the beach; DUI classes; thanks, all y'all!!
 - <u>Q4</u>. What has the District done lately to bring the AA message to the attention of professionals who can be helpful in reaching those who are in need of A.A.? Nothing recent; Mathea shared that previously the judges, courts, probation officers, doctors, veterinarians, were contacted via letter and provided with pamphlets and schedules. TIME CONSTRAINT District 6 Inventory to be continued next month.
- Area 17 Inventory Assembly on Kaua'i: see DCM report above. HOMESTAY COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED! Also, Kaua'i AAers who'd be willing to host an Assembly visitor, please contact Jonathan at DCM6@Area17AA.org.

New Business / Announcements:

- Men's Retreat next weekend Friday/Saturday/Sunday at Kahili Mountain Park. \$125 covers all meals, comfortable accommodations, coffee, great FellowShip. Scholarships available contact Sean H or Chris K via Hotline at (808) 245-6677.
- Thank-AA-Thon Thanksgiving Day, <u>flyer online</u> with schedule and food requests by area from Groups. Contact Alejandro at <u>Events@KauaiAA.org</u> or via Hotline at (808) 245-6677.

We closed with the Responsibility Pledge; next District meeting will be November 21st. Present today at the meeting:

Member	Phone	Email	Group	Vote?	Position
Crystal B			Happy Hour	Yes	GSR
Jim duB			Happy Hour	No	Mynah Bird
Keola O			Hui 'Ohana	Yes	Corrections
Rick S			Hui 'Ohana	Yes	Alt GSR
Christian A			Hui Lokahi Men's Stag	Yes	GSR
Ann W			Koloa Aloha	Yes	GSR
Mathea A			Koloa Aloha	Yes	CEC
April T			Koloa Aloha	No	Visitor
Mark Ma			Men's Stag, Lawrence KS	No	Visitor
Sean P			Poʻipū Sunrise Sobriety	Yes	Alt GSR
Janice M			Princeville-Hanalei	Yes	GSR
Frank G			Saturday Third Tradition	Yes	GSR
Steve Q			Steps To Freedom	Yes	GSR, Treasurer
Sammy H			Steps To Freedom	No	Visitor
Susan Ok			Sunday Serenity	Yes	WebMadame
Lance L			ҮРАА: ВҮОВВ	Yes	GSR, Public Info
Jonathan D			ҮРАА: ВҮОВВ	Yes	DCM